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Bingo

Up to eight players can join in this option filled game. The initial deal consists of five cards, placed down to each player and nine cards face down in a 3X3 grid in the center of the table. Hands are constructed from the best five among the five in player's hand plus the three cards in any row, column, or diagonal in the center grid. Player who wishes to win both high and low ends may take advantage of different three card series in grid. Dealer exposes the four corner cards. Place your bet. The dealer then exposes the three o'clock card (based on dealer's perspective). Bet. Dealer continues exposing clockwise and players keep betting after each until all four points are exposed. Bet. Dealer exposes the center card. Bet. Declare. Bet. Showdown. High and low split the pot.



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DISPLAYING SYMBOLS IN A POLYGON
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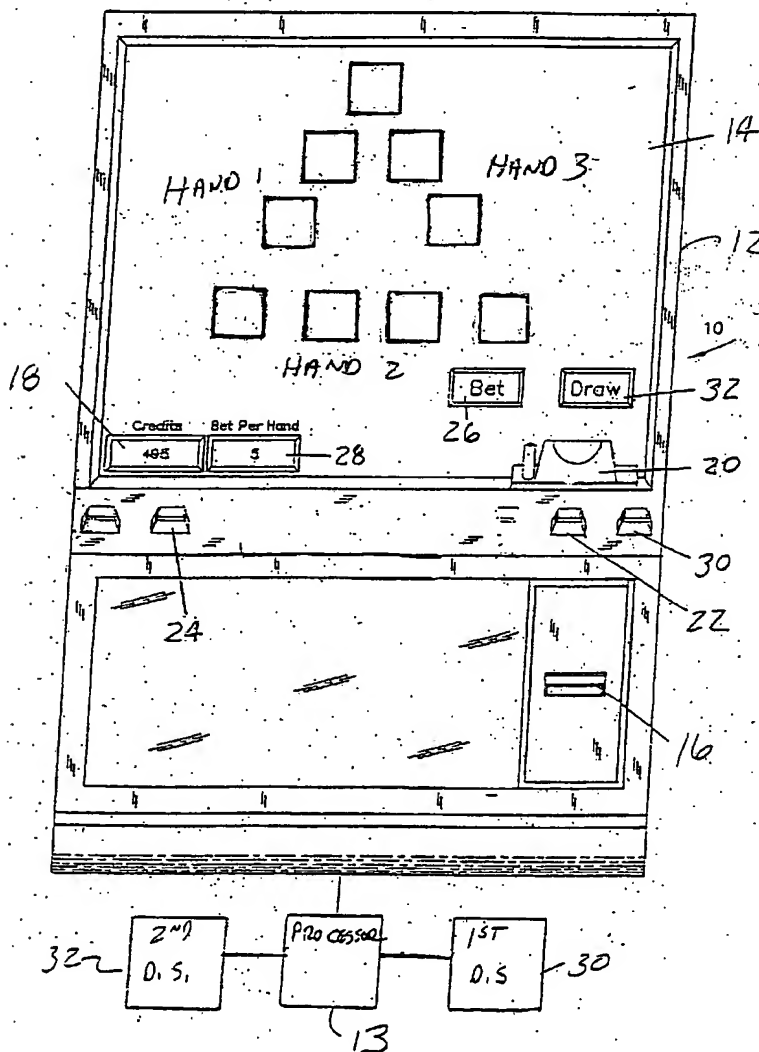
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Las Vegas, NV 89146 (US)(57) **ABSTRACT**

A device and method are set forth where Poker hands are selected and displayed in positions of the sides of a polygon. Hands share cards with hands of adjacent sides. The game may be played in a stud fashion or in a draw Poker fashion. Awards may be given based upon the constituency of each five card hand as well as the constituency of cards of adjacent hands, e.g. a 7 card straight flush.

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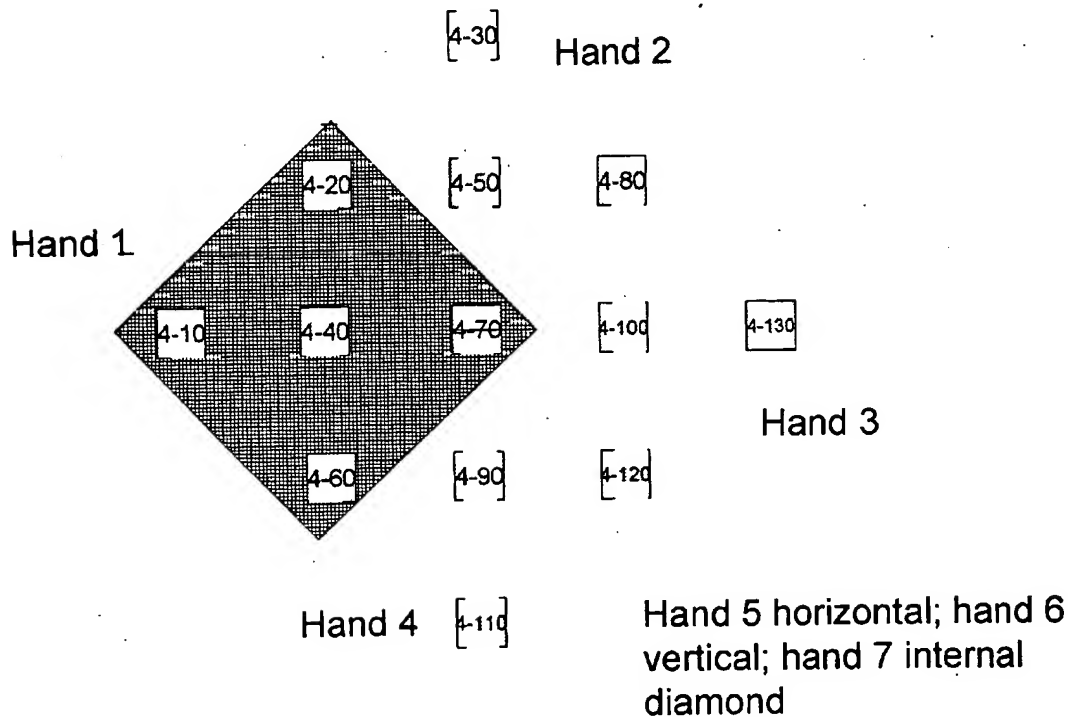
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This invention is a multi-handed poker game where the cards are dealt in one or more diamond patterns. In one embodiment, each side of the diamond is a separate hand. In some embodiments, the cards can be exchanged from one hand to another. In another embodiment, there is no card exchange; the cards are dealt, the player decides which cards to hold and the non-held cards are replaced. In another embodiment, the diamond or diamonds (in multiple hands) have one card in each corner and the fifth card in the center of the diamond. In this version of the game, the diamonds can be linked and so that the corner cards are common to one or more adjacent hands.

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(54) **BLACKJACK GAME EACH PLAYER
HAVING MULTIPLE HANDS**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A physical card game or electronically simulated card game is provided in which each of one or more players received cards which define two or more card hands, with at least one card in common. In one embodiment, the initial cards are arranged in a rectangular array with rows, columns and/or diagonals of the array defining the hands. Each hand can be played and/or evaluated using certain aspects of blackjack, poker or other traditional card game play or evaluation. At least some prizes or top winning outcomes for a round of play must include winning outcomes from at least two, and preferably from all, of the hands played by a given player. The relatively low odds of achieving highest-winning combinations on all hands makes it feasible to provide the game with relatively large prizes associated with such low-probability outcomes. In one embodiment, certain subcombinations of a player's cards, such as all initially-dealt cards, are evaluated for instant win combinations. In one embodiment, one or more additional cards may be dealt for use in defining some or all of said instant win combinations.

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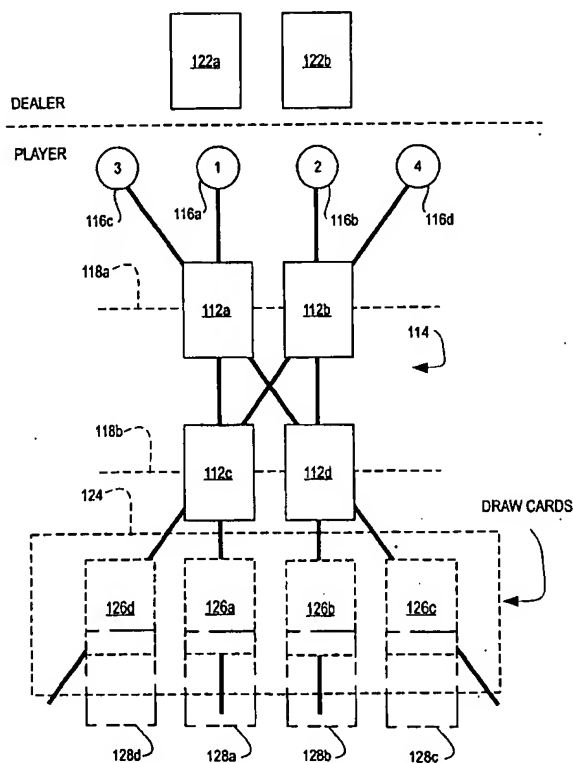
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(54) **FLOATER BONUS POKER**

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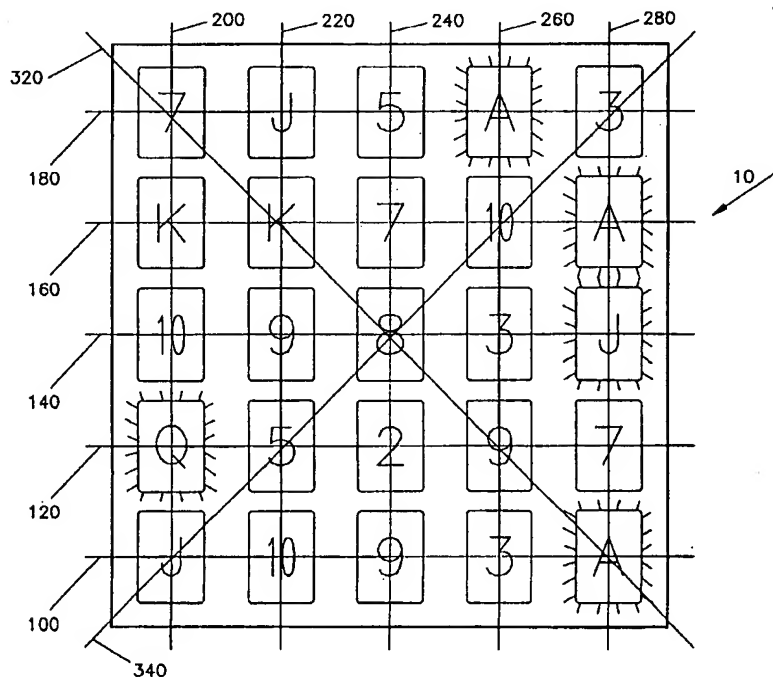
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ABSTRACT

An electronic video gaming machine is programmed to play a multi-hand video poker game which initially displays to the player a five-by-five matrix of twenty-five cards. This five-by-five matrix generates twelve five card hands—the five horizontal rows, the five vertical columns and the two diagonals. The player makes a wager of fifty credits which makes the player eligible for all twelve hands, with five credits applied to each hand, in effect given the player two free hands at five credits each. Five separate decks of playing cards are used with the five cards in each horizontal row being dealt from a separate deck of cards. The player may select one card from each horizontal row to be held and the selected card is also duplicated into an adjacent row location in that row. Replacement cards for the discarded cards are dealt into each horizontal row. Each of the twelve different five card hands are analyzed to determine its poker hand ranking and winning hands are paid in accordance with a pay table. The suits of the cards can be ignored in the analysis of the hands. This eliminates the need to consider any flush card combinations and simplifies the pay table.

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[45] Date of Patent: Oct. 17, 2000**[54] SIMULTANEOUS INTER-RELATED
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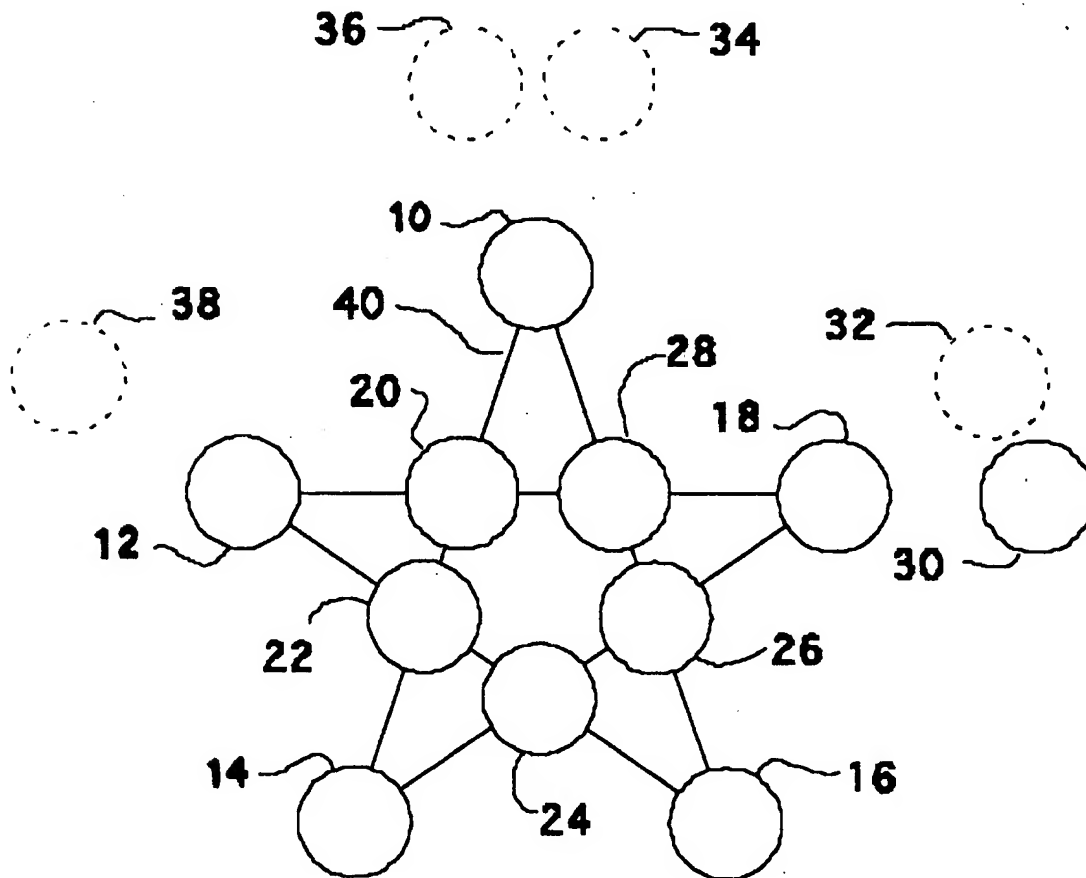
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A method of simultaneously playing several hands of cards that are arranged to form a two or three-dimensional shape.

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United States Patent [19][11] **Patent Number:** **5,531,448****Moody**[45] **Date of Patent:** **Jul. 2, 1996**[54] **POKER-STYLE CARD GAME**[76] **Inventor:** Ernest W. Moody, 4381 Pebble Beach Dr., Niwot, Colo. 80503[21] **Appl. No.:** 495,952[22] **Filed:** Jun. 28, 1995[51] **Int. Cl.⁶** A63F 1/00[52] **U.S. Cl.** 273/292[58] **Field of Search** 273/292, 274, 273/309[56] **References Cited****U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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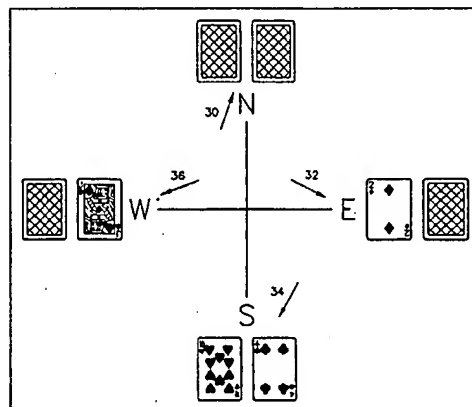
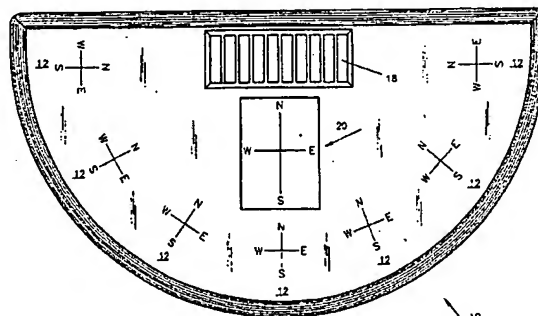
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In one version of the present invention, the dealer deals three cards to each player. The dealer then deals eight cards as the community cards which are arranged in groups of two each on the gaming table layout. The card layout is in the format of a directional compass with two cards each at the North position, East position, South position and West position, respectively. At the North position, both cards are face down. At the East and West positions, one card is face down and one card is face up. At the South position, both cards are face up. Each player determines which one of the four two-card groups the player wishes to use to comprise his five card. The player identifies this selection by moving his wager to the corresponding compass location on the player's betting spot on the gaming table layout in front of the player. The dealer turns up the remaining community cards and the dealer determines the best hand each player has made according to poker hand rankings. All winning hands will be paid according to the odds listed in the pay table. When the progressive jackpot bonus payout is used, the dealer examines the eight cards of the community cards to determine if one of the predetermined card arrangements has occurred. Any winning payouts from the progressive bonus jackpot are distributed to the players at the table. Other versions of the invention use different community card arrangements and different numbers of community cards.

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[54] POKER-STYLE CARD GAME

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[57] ABSTRACT

The object of the game is for a player to form a five card poker hand that has the highest poker hand ranking. In the house banked version, all players play against the house and not against each other. The game is played with a standard fifty-two card deck. The game consists of a dealer and from one to seven players. Each player makes a bet and a portion of each bet may be allocated to a progressive jackpot. The dealer deals five cards to each player. The dealer then deals six cards as the community cards which are arranged face down in three rows in a triangle pattern on the gaming table layout. The players may discard from none to five unwanted cards. The dealer turns up the community cards and pre-designated groups of cards from the community cards are used for each player to make a complete five card poker hand. The dealer determines the best hand each player has made according to poker hand rankings. All winning hands will be paid by the dealer according to the odds listed in the pay table. When the progressive jackpot payout is used, the dealer examines the six community cards to determine if one of the predetermined card arrangements has occurred. Any winning payouts from the progressive jackpot are distributed to the players at the table. The method may also be played as a player banked game or as a pot game.

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